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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



In New York and Chicago, prices were unchanged. Prices in Atlanta ranged unchanged to higher while Jackson eggs were sharply higher on all weights. The balance of other major marketing areas were generally unchanged. The market tone was cautiously steady to weak. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were usually adequate to available on all sizes. Breaking stock supplies were barely adequate to adequate for the unaggressive, but light to good demand. Offerings of light type hens were adequate to fully adequate for regular processing schedules.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Philadelphia, prices were unchanged to 3 cents higher on the larger sizes and unchanged to 4 cents higher on mediums, when based on previous week average pricing. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The market tone was cautiously steady. Demand into all outlets ranged light to moderate. Supplies were adequate or available for current trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were short and demand was light to good. Light type hens were adequate for normal processing schedules.

MIDWEST Prices in all reported areas were unchanged. Trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Retail demand was mostly light to at times moderate. Food service movement was about moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to available and were beginning to back up. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was light. Offerings were barely adequate to mostly adequate as retail movement decreased and more shell eggs were diverted into breaking channels. Schedules mixed. Floor stocks in close balance to adequate for current schedules. Trade sentiment cautiously steady.

<u>CHICAGO</u> Prices for all sizes unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail and food service demand light to moderate, mostly moderate and est where features are a factor. Supplies generally mixed but adequate.

SOUTHERN In Atlanta, prices were unchanged to higher on all sizes. However, prices in Florida were unchanged. The market tone was about steady. Demand was light to occasionally moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for trade needs. The average price on Grade A or better white cartoned large eggs delivered to volume buyers in the Southern region for the week ending January 25, 2002 was 73.20 cents, 10.98 cents more than last week and 4.80 cents more than last year. Breaking stock demand was light to good for short offerings. Light type hens were adequate to fully adequate for normal processing schedules.

WESTERN Prices unchanged on all sizes throughout the region. The Pacific region inventory was 11% higher than last week with California down 1% and Oregon- Washington-Utah up 30%. Retailer demand moderate, best where features planned in the Northwest. Offerings of all sizes light within the region, outside medium and cartoned tight while loose large sizes were ample.

NEW YORK Prices began the week unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail demand was light to moderate, primarily moderate where limited feature activity was planned or in progress. Supplies were generally adequate for present requirements.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS

EXTRA		
LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
111-113	104-106	76-78
75-79	73-77	65-69
73-77	72-75	64-67
70-74	68-71	60-63
74-76	73-75	65-67
81-89	80-88	70-78
67-71	65-69	58-62
63-68	62-67	58-60
65-69	64-67	56-60
66-73	65-71	58-63
86-89	83-86	72-78
107	100	92
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<u>CALIFORNIA</u> Prices unchanged. The California inventory was 1% lower than last week. Retailer demand moderate. California, medium, and cartoned offerings light and actively sought, loose large sizes ample. Small invoice price 72. Ads in Northern California: major-large dozen 119, buy 1 get 1 free, 18 pack buy 1 get 1 free, medium dozen 139; smaller outletslarge 18 pack 98.

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	110
EXTRA LARGE	107
LARGE	100
MEDIUM	92
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PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALL	IFORNIA	NORTHERN CAL	NORTHERN CALIFORNIA			
	RANGE		RANGE			
JUMBO	239-299	JUMBO	239-279			
EXTRA LARGE	229-269	EXTRA LARGE	209-249			
LARGE	199-229	LARGE	185-249			
MEDIUM	179-199	MEDIUM	175-209			

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NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending February 01, 2002 will decrease by 2 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending January 25, 2002 were 250,998 cases which was 8 percent below the prior week and 5 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL	
Cases purchased present week	218,605	32,393	250,998	
% change from the prior week	-10	+12	-8	
Comparison figures a Purchases and estimates				
equivalent.		,		

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices unchanged.

Demand was light. Offerings were barely adequate to mostly adequate as retail movement decreased and more shell eggs were diverted into breaking channels. Schedules mixed. Floor stocks in close balance to adequate for current schedules. Trade sentiment cautiously steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 AM, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
NEST RUN	36-38
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	19-24
CENTRAL CTATEC AREA.	

CENTRAL STATES AREA:

AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were moderate. Schedules were normal. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 28-JAN-02

RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD
		AVG

AT FARM BUYER LOADING 6.25-11 CENTS/LB. 8-9.75 9.13

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

<u>SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN</u> Majority prices were unchanged to slightly higher when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for about adequate to adequate offerings. Processing were schedules were normal. The undertone was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 28-JAN-02

RANGE MAJORITY WTD AVG

AT FARM BUYER LOADING 6-10.5 CENTS/LB. 8.5-10 8.70

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING FOB PLANT

TOO FEW TO REPORT TOO FEW TO REPORT

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM JAN 28, 2002 STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

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	Nor	theast	CENT			Pacific	5-Area	
le consider a								
Jumbo	Curr Wk	9.5	14.5	6.2	11.4	12.8	54.4	
	Change	-0.5	-0.3	-0.4	0.9	-0.2	-1%	
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	35.9	36.1	12.7	29.4	27.0	141.1	
	Change	10.8	7.5	3.1	8.8	2.8	31%	
Large	Curr Wk	46.0	103.6	68.1	94.4	101.5	413.6	
	Change	7.0	26.9	11.2	22.0	16.2	25%	
Medium	Curr Wk	11.1	38.7	22.7	24.0	24.7	121.2	
	Change	-1.4	10.9	0.0	5.5	3.2	18%	
Small	Curr Wk	5.0	9.9	3.8	4.8	4.1	27.6	
	Change	0.8	2.5	0.2	-2.1	-0.3	4%	
Misc	Curr Wk	4.8	21.3	4.8	10.6	4.8	46.3	
	Change	8.0	-2.8	-1.1	-1.4	-0.9	-10%	
Ungraded	Curr Wk	17.1	53.0	22.0	23.5	29.2	144.8	
	Change	0.1	-5.0	0.0	6.7	-1.4	0%	
Total	Curr Wk	129.4	277.1	140.3	198.1	204.1	949.0	
Percent	Change	16%	17%	10%	26%	11%	16%	
TOTAL		N	umber	of	Percent	Nur	mber of	
			Case	es.	Change	Coop	erators	
Shell Egg			949.	.0	16%		170	
Shell Egg	Breaking	Stock :			0%		38	
***Breakir						59.0 -8		
Total Shel	l Egg		1208.	.4	12%		208	

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 170 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

NOTICE

CANADIAN EGGS NOT AVAILABLE AT TIME OF PUBLICATION

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TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JANUARY 25, 2002 CURRENT LOADS 16.00 FUTURE LOADS 10.25 TOTAL LOADS 26.25

	SE			NE	М	W L	OADS		S	С	NV	V	S	w Lo	ADS
CLASS	ORG D	ST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	49.00 51	.00	50.50	48.25	41.00		6.00	GNR W 1	_				_	_	2.00
GNR W 2	_	—	_	_	_	_	2.00	GL W J	61.75	_	_	_	_	68.00	1.00
GNR W 3	_	_		_	_	_	1.00	GL W XL	49.50	_	_	_	_	57.20	5.00
GNR BR 1	_	_	_	_	_	_	1.00	GL W LG	_	_	_	_	_	53.00	1.00
GL W XL		_	_	61.00	49.10	_	6.50								
GL W LG	_	_		_	43.00	_	1.75								
GL W MD	_	—	_	_	_	_	1.00								
GL W SM		_	24.00	25.50	_	_	1.00								
NRBS - 48	_	—	_	_	29.50	31.00	4.00								

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 01/21/02-01/25/02 CURRENT LOADS 87.25 FUTURE LOADS 60.75 TOTAL LOADS 148.00

	SE		NE	N	١W	LOADS		S	C	N	V	N	/W	
CLASS	ORG DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	50.80 60.36	50.80	50.42	52.54	50.00	59.25	GNR W XL		61.00	_				1.00
GNR W 2	— 56.50	_	_	42.00	53.00	14.75	GNR W 1		62.58	_				18.25
GNR W 3		_	42.75	39.50	40.80	5.50	GNR W 2	_	60.04	_	_	_	_	8.75
GNR BR 1		69.00	_	_	_	3.75	GNR W 3	_	_	_	_	_	52.00	1.00
GNR BR 2		_	_	_	_	2.00	GNR BR 1	_	_	_	_	_	81.00	2.00
GNR BR 3			53.50	50.00		2.00	GL W J	57.25	_	_	_	_	64.92	6.00
GL W J		69.00	71.00	51.83	_	4.00	GL W XL	49.50	64.67	_	_	_	60.82	19.50
GL W XL	— 67.88	59.25	61.19	51.04	_	40.50	GL W LG	_	68.44	_	_	_	63.53	18.25
GL W LG	— 65.88	55.50	59.00	53.88	_	30.00	GL W MD	50.00	57.00	_	_	_	57.80	5.50
GL W MD	— 63.50	51.50	53.00	50.00	54.25	13.50	NRBS - 42	25.00	_	_	_	_	_	1.00
GL W SM	26.25 27.50	24.61	26.28	22.75	23.75	11.00								
NRBS - 48		29.20	30.80	29.50	34.89	17.25								
NRBS - 42				24.50	27.50	2.00								
NRBS - 39		21.25	23.25	_	26.50	14.00								

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

NUMBER OF CASES OF EGGS SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA 01/13/02 - 01/19/02									
State	# Cases Shipped To		# Cases Shipped To	Total State					
	Northern, CA	Central, CA	Southern, CA						
Arizona	0	0	720	720					
Arkansas	0	780	0	780					
Colorado	0	0	7,351	7,351					
Illinois	0	780	0	780					
Indiana	0	0	1,614	1,614					
Iowa	780	3,108	31,839	35,727					
Michigan	0	0	720	720					
Minnesota	0	0	3,382	3,382					
Missouri	0	2,364	5,518	7,882					
Montana	0	0	1,132	1,132					
Nevada	0	0	747	747					
New Hampshire	0	1,810	4,021	5,831					
Oregon	4,017	480	14	4,511					
Utah	0	720	8,063	8,783					
Washington	0	0	600	600					
Wisconsin	0	0	750	750					
TOTAL	4,797	10,042	66,471	81,310					
SHIPPED TO MILITA	0	0	0	0					
SHIPPED TO NONMI	4,797	10,042	66,471	81,310					

NEW ENGLAND

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM, CENTS PER DOZEN.

 JUMBO
 EX-LARGE
 LARGE
 MEDIUM
 SMALL

 120-123
 92-95
 85-88
 57-60
 25-28

HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS

Receipts from the mainland: 1/13/02-1/19/02

30-dozen cases 7,802

Receipts from the mainland: 1/6/02-1/12/02

30-dozen cases 7,426

DETROIT EGGS

PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO EX-LARGE LARGE MEDIUM SMALL 69-79 62-66 60-65 56-59 25-29

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

EX-LARGE89.27
88.27
80.27
80.27
46.27

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

LARGE MEDIUM SMALL 46-49 39-43 7-10

<u>COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS</u> (In Thousands)

ON HAND	01/21/02	01/14/02	01/22/01
PACIFIC COAST	232	206	163
LOS ANGELES	192	161	123

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